

CORRECTED FISCAL NOTE

HB 2461 - SB 2646

March 24, 2008

SUMMARY OF BILL: Shifts authority to approve prior service credits for certain criminal investigators from the Executive Committee of the District Attorneys General Conference (DAGC) to the hiring district attorney general. Mandates up to eight years of prior service credits for criminal investigators with law enforcement experience or post-secondary education degrees. Currently, such credit is discretionary.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

On January 23, 2008, we issued a fiscal note on this bill indicating *an increase in state expenditures of \$79,100*. Based on additional information provide by the District Public Defenders Conference, the fiscal impact of the bill is as follows:

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Increase State Expenditures - \$108,400

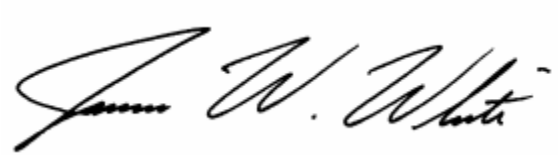
Assumptions:

- According to the DAGC, ten criminal investigators would receive prior service credits. The recurring state expenditures of \$79,080 (\$659 x 10 x 12 months) reflect a monthly salary and benefits increase of \$659 per criminal investigator (\$496.10 salary plus \$162.90 benefits).
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-207(c)(3), the district investigators for the District Public Defenders Conference are entitled to the same prior services as criminal investigators for the District Attorneys General.
- According to the District Public Defenders Conference, seven investigators would receive prior service credits. Each of the seven investigators would receive a different amount of credit based on each one's individual experience.
- The estimated total increase in state expenditures for the seven investigators is \$29,367 (\$24,216 increased salaries and \$5,151 increased benefits).

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CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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